

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| Timothy L. ROBINSON     | : | Confirmation No.: 1385    |
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR BIOLOGICAL AUTHORIZATION FOR FINANCIAL  
TRANSACTIONS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 23313-1450

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment, together with the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination and Petition for Extension of Time, constitutes a complete reply to the Final Office Action mailed November 26, 2007 in the above-identified application. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 6.